Subject: SIZE() vs. N_ELEMENTS()

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I am trying to free up some namespace by deleting stale routines. I found an old one (http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/ftp/pro/structure/n_struct.pro , written 1989) that contains the comment:

- ; If structure, use size function to get # of elements
- ; (instead of N_elements) so that it works on I/O associated structures.

Does this make sense to anyone? Is there any situation now where one must use SIZE() to get the number of elements rather than N_ELEMENTS(). Or does this refer to some long-forgotten file structure that is no longer relevant?

Thanks, --Wayne